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SUBJECT: CURRENT STATUS OF PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM'S TRAVEL PLANS

1. FONMIN RAMPHAL TOLD ME DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION JUNE 12 AT HIS OFFICE THAT PM FORBES BURNHAM NOW PLANNING TRIP SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER TO INCLUDE LONDON, STOCKHOLM,BUCHAREST, PEKING AND POSSIBLY OTTAWA AND/OR NEW YORK. HE UNDERSTANDS THAT AT PRESENT TIME CHINESE PREFER TO HAVE HIM IN PEKING ON OCTOBER 1, NATIONAL HOLIDAY, BUT BELIEVE THEY MAY CHANGE PREFERED DATE.

2. RAMPHAL SMILINGLY COMMENTED THAT HE PREFERS TO BE WITH PM WHEN HE IS MAKING DECLARATIONS IN OTHER COUNTRIES ON INTER-NATIONAL POLITICAL MATTERS, BUT THAT HIS PARTICIPATION IN TRIP WAS UNCERTAIN BECAUSE OF HIS OWN TRAVEL PLANS, INCLUDING OPENING OF UNGA IN SEPTEMBER.

3. AS REGARDS POSSIBLE STOP-OVER IN NEW YORK ON RETURN LEG, RAMPHAL SAID HE HAD SUGGESTED THAT BURNHAM ADDRESS UN GENERAL
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ASSEMBLY IN NEW YORK EARLY OCTOBER, BUT PM SEEMS DISINTERESTED.

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HE ADDED BURNHAM'S PRIMARY INTEREST THERE WOULD BE CONTACT WITH RESIDENT GUYANESE WHO (AS DEPT. AWARE) ARE ELIGIBLE VOTE IN GUYANESE ELECTIONS AND VOTED SOLIDLY FOR BURNHAM IN 1968 AND 1973. KREBS

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